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**REPLY**

**Mail Stop AMENDMENT**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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**July 20, 2005**

Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in response to the Office Action dated April 20, 2005.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 5 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet showing changes.

**Remarks** begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following the last page of this paper.